

Magic Valley Fly Fishers November 20 Meeting Info and Club Updates

Happy November to you all.

November 4, 2019

OCTOBER MEETING AND SPEAKER

Attached are your meeting flier and the bio for our presenter Kit Mullen on

Nov. 20 (the third Thursday), 5-9 p.m. at the Mountain View Barn, Jerome. Kit is an avid fly fisher, MVFF member, wildlife biologist and has taught fly fishing to many. I've attached her bio as it is way too interesting to summarize. Her years of experience finding and landing fine fish in many different waters make her presentation "***Where Trout Live***" an important opportunity for us all to learn more about how to put our flies on good fish consistently.

Come early, have a great dinner, and enjoy a great evening getting fly fishing coaching and comradery. Talk to Kit about her tricks and tactics before and after. Get more info on the club topics below and much more. Print off some fliers and send them around to all your friends and neighbors.

We hope to see you all there.

CLUB UPDATES

2019 Christmas Party Wednesday December 18.

At the October meeting we began our signup for our Wednesday, December 18 Christmas Party at "The Barn", a great place, great space, great food. It will be a traditional holiday dinner with Ham, Turkey, salad bar and all the trimmings, coffee and water, with no-host beer and wine, for **\$20 per person**. No pot luck to cook for this year. Just come on over and enjoy a great evening with all your club friends both old and new and there are lots of new folks to get to know.

We have a minimum of 25 persons to make this new event happen, so mark your calendars and reply to this e-mail or call me soon to RSVP. To encourage *family participation* at this new event and for this next year, kids under 15 eat free with their folks and those 15-18 are \$10.00 each. Let us know how many you will be bringing. For now we do not have this as a shopping basket item to pay on the web site, but we're

working on that now. You may mail a check ahead to the P.O. Box or pay at the door by cash, check or plastic. Please RSVP early for our planning. We're over half way to our 25 minimum and hope to really pack our new, cozy but roomy location so delightful, even if the weather outside is frightful.

We also want to have an old fashioned raffle where you all bring some goodies to raffle off as well as the club providing some too. So start preparing to bring and win! We may have some "special buy" good deals too, depending on what Santa has in his bag?? **Ho, Ho, Ho.**

November Board & Officers Annual Election.

All our current board members have graciously agreed to serve again in 2020.

Dale will become Past President, Don has agreed to be Vice President, Greg will continue as our Treasurer, and I will serve as President and Secretary.

We requested new participants starting at the September meeting and we have two members volunteering to serve on this 2020 board.

Thadd Strom will join as our new webmaster/Fb guru and liaison to our web host.

Fred Schneiter will also join and take on the audio-visual-computer and tech duties including videoing our speakers and working on the team producing new public service announcements ahead of our next banquet, both of which are underway.

Because all are "running unopposed", the election will be a verbal vote by members at this November meeting so be sure to attend to participate.

2020 Banquet and Fundraiser--February 15—Mark Your Calendars.

We are lucky to have landed and are anxiously awaiting **Landon Mayer**, www.landonmayerflyfishing.com. as our presenter at our next Banquet and Fundraiser, the second Saturday, this next February 2020. Landon has new books out, many new flies to show us and is now presenting at most all of the major fly fishing shows around the U.S. and now this year in other countries as well. With his extreme show schedule,

guiding and fishing as well as making videos and writing books, we are very fortunate to have been able to book him for this upcoming event. And that had to be in conjunction with booking a suitable venue for what we hope to be our biggest fundraiser and fun party in some time at close to our old traditional time of year which is notorious for foul weather. With our new location and other new and rekindled associations growing, we have more opportunities for this next fundraising effort. It must help us generate the resources we need to do more to further our purposes and goals to educate and perpetuate fly fishing as a lifelong pastime as well as enhance access and improve and maintain quality fly fishing waters throughout our region and beyond.

All is under way and we will be sending you more details soon. We want to maximize fun, simplicity, efficiency, equitability, transparency, and sustainability in both the short and long term for our club and for all those that support us.

The board and banquet team will be amplifying our fundraising effort with new materials, new perspectives and processes and increased excitement. We want and need all your help in making this a community wide event to be proud of and we will be asking for you to commit to helping us make that happen.

Please take a moment and reflect on how you want your club to be a part of the fly fishing future for you and our community. Let us know what you think and can do to help us achieve that future. We never want to lose sight of our history and past accomplishments which are substantial, but likewise, we must clean our bifocals and binoculars to try to gain the clearest images we can of what's ahead.

New ways, new projects, new folks, new fun, new future-based on a great past.

Other activity updates on projects, board & banquet, other teams' info and accomplishments as well as requests for help on specific projects and teams will be sent separately and will be discussed at the meetings. More soon, I hope to see you all at the meeting on the 20th and call me anytime.

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